

## RESOLUTION NO.

### A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINDINGS REQUIRED BY HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 33445 FOR THE FUNDING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE LOWER WEST DOWNTOWN LIGHTING PROJECT, PHASE 1

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara is undertaking certain activities for the planning and execution of redevelopment projects in the Central City Redevelopment Project Area;

WHEREAS, the proposed neighborhood improvements will enhance the street and pedestrian lighting system of the City of Santa Barbara and generate additional pedestrian activity by locals and tourists in the immediate area and the larger Central City Redevelopment Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency's funding of a portion of the proposed public street and pedestrian lighting improvements will benefit the Central City Redevelopment Project Area by encouraging pedestrian and tourist activity, which increases the vitality of the project area by encouraging economic activity by locals and visitors, encouraging public and private improvements, and eliminating blight and the conditions that lead to blight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The proposed street and pedestrian lighting improvements to the Lower West Downtown neighborhood, to be funded by the Redevelopment Agency, are of benefit to the Central City Redevelopment Project area as the improvements will generate additional pedestrian activity by locals and tourists, and enhance the existing paseo system of the City of Santa Barbara.

SECTION 2. No other reasonable means of financing the lighting infrastructure improvements to the Lower West Downtown neighborhood is available.

SECTION 3. The payment of Redevelopment Agency funds for the improvements will eliminate blighting conditions in the Project Area by encouraging pedestrian and tourist activity. An increase in these activities improves the vitality of the project area by encouraging economic activity by locals and visitors and will lead to additional public and private improvements, and thereby, eliminate blight and the conditions that lead to blight.